



The hospitality of Senator Brice, of Ohio, which is very generous, is much abused, as is that of many other famous entertainers at the National Capital. At a recent reception at Senator Brice's hospitable mansion, it is said that several persons, who did not know either the host or hostess, pushed their way in and lingered a long while around the dining-room, filling themselves with the good things displayed on the table. Such persons should be handed over to the police and locked up.

Hon. E. J. Phelps, of Vermont, who was Minister to England during the Cleveland Administration, and who is one of the counsel in the Bering Sea case, arrived in Washington on Thursday, Feb. 2, to consult with Secretary of State Foster. The fact that the Secretary of State will not be able to accompany the United States Commissioners to Paris next week, as he

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countries as well. The representative of the American Company holds credentials from the President of Liberia, and a curious petition to that official signed by the civilized chiefs and leading men of the country. Something like a consolidation of the two societies is discussed, but no definite steps have been taken yet. The members of the American Society are hopeful that the transplanting of negroes from this country into Liberia may be fostered by some sort of an agreement between the two organizations.

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ery beautiful and cozy log cabin, and the great benefactor Maj. Compton by Congress. Maj. Compton has appealed to Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, to help him retrieve his loss, and the Senator last week introduced a joint resolution in the Senate authorizing the President to issue duplicate medals where the originals, which have been presumed to any officer or person in the United States on account of distinguished or meritorious services under any act or resolution of Congress have been lost or destroyed through no fault of the beneficiary,